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GENERAL MEETING

May 19, 1983

BOROUGH HALL

8:00 p. m.

Program - "POST CARDS OF MAIN STREET"

Presented by: Katherine Tassini and Robin Spence



This program was originally developed from old post cards of Haddonfield belonging to the Society, for use in the "History Comes Alive" Program. It has been adapted for an adult audience. For some it will bring back fond memories. For some it will be just plain fascinating.

Bring a guest who is new in town!

Can you identify the building (next to the bank) pictured above?

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On February 23, 1983, at the Birthday Tea, the Gertrude Hess Memorial Library was dedicated. Mr. Elwood Hess, Gertrude's sisters and other family members along with many dear friends were on hand for this special occasion. Douglas B. Rauschenberger, Haddonfield Public Library Director, gave the Dedication Address. A silk flower arrangement, in a lovely ceramic vase made by Joann Stavinsky and inscribed with Gertrude's name, was presented in the name of the Women's Committee, by Ruth Slaven, the Chairman. I would like to thank all those who made a special donation to the Library in honor of Mrs. Hess.

If you missed the Candlelight Dinner, you certainly missed a lovely evening. A special thanks to Lorraine Hilbert(Larry), First Vice-President and her committee fo their efforts. The dinner was wonderful and the speaker was very interesting.

The Nominating Committee is in the process of getting organized with Dianne Snodgrass as Chairman. We will be electing a Recording Secretary, Second Vice President and five Trustees. If you are interested in any of these positions or if there is someone you would like Committee members to consider, call one of them.

We hope to have an answering machine(recently repaired) installed within the next few weeks. The Caller will be provided with some information re: the hours the building will be open, etc., and several phone numbers of people who may give callers additional information. Thanks to Larry Test and Jack Wood for their work on this project. Hopefully, the Society will be more available to the public.

Thank you Ferris King for making sure our sidewalks were free of snow this winter. I would also like to thank Dorothy Sherred and Mickey Mack for obtaining enough volunteers so we can open Greenfield Hall on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2 to 4 p.m.

Remember the General Meeting and the Country Fair, June 4th.

Deborah Moore, President

HOUSE COMMITTEE

As the new House Chairman for Greenfield Hall, a morning was spent going through the rooms and learning about the contents of the building. How to explain to the Police that we set off the alarm system, accidentally, was also a learning experience.

A calendar of events will be posted on the Kitchen Wall for your convenience. When using the folding chairs, from the closet, please check to be sure that all four rubber caps are on the legs. This helps to save our carpet and floors.

If there are any questions about Greenfield Hall and its use, please contact me and I will do my best to be of assistance.

Deborah Mervine, Chairman

21st ANNUAL VILLAGE COUNTRY FAIR

This year's Country Fair is fast approaching. The annual event is slated for Saturday, June 4th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the grounds of Greenfield Hall. The Fair will go ahead as planned come rain or come shine so mark your calendars, clean out your attics and start baking for the big day because we need the help of EVERYONE in order to make it a grand success.

The Fair Chairman, Betsy McMenamin, and her committee have plans well under way but they need your help in all areas in order to provide a day of fun and enjoyment for all. We have requests for donations of every type from our various booths so please read on and contact the appropriate people with your items.

PANTRY BOOTH - Mable Kay 429-6181 - The Pantry Booth will be located in the Mickie House this year along with coffee and donuts. Mable would appreciate donations of jellies, preserves, cakes, cookies, brownies and such. Those who don't bake can also help out this booth with a donation. Items such as jellies and jams may be left at the garage during the week prior to the Fair from 10 to 2. On the morning of the Fair there will be a runner located at the driveway who will take the donations from your car to the Mickie House starting at 9 a.m. Anticipate a phone call asking for your baking talents shortly before the Fair!

GARAGE SALE - Ruth Slavin 854-4265 - The Garage will be open to receive donations beginning May 16th. Hours will be Monday through Friday 10 to 2 and Saturday 10 to 12. Items may also be dropped off at Greenfield Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 prior to May 16th. Ruth would like donations of things such as linens, glassware, "impossible gifts", housewares, pots & pans, Christmas items, floral containers, luggage, handbags, furniture etc. BUT NO CLOTHES. When you bring your donations, it would be helpful if you could help the volunteers to sort and price your items.

TOYS - Judy Hensel 428-5283 - This year's Fair has a great deal for families including a Used Toy Booth so clean out those toy boxes and bring old toys and games to the Society marked for Judy or call her and she will arrange a pickup from your home.

USED CLOTHING(Childrens)- Robin Spence 428-1878 - Robin is looking for used childrens clothing and accessories in good condition for this new booth. Donations of used baby items, kid boots, ice skates, etc. are also being sought. Upon request a tax receipt for items donated will be given. Call Robin or bring items to her home at 623 Maple Avenue, Hadonfield.

CHINESE AUCTION - Debbie Mervine 428-0053 - Debbie would like donations of new or antique items or hand crafts, extra-special baked goods or services such as lawn care, cooking a special dish, etc. Call Debbie.

USED BOOKS - Charlesanna Fallstick 429-4354 - This year we are in dire need of books for the Used Book Booth. Old magazines are also very much appreciated and sell well. Items for this booth may be dropped off at the garage during its regular hours starting May 16 or weekday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. for the two weeks before the Fair.

VILLAGE COUNTRY FAIR (continued)

PLANT BOOTH - Andrea Buller 795-0866 - We need your house and yard plants as we are doing plants on our own this year. We need cuttings from your garden. They don't have to be in containers, they may be wrapped in newspaper but be sure they are labelled as to what they are and their color if they are a flowering item. Cut flowers from your cutting garden also do very well on Fair Day. Please bring plants on Friday, June 3 from 10 to 1 and that evening from 6 to 8, Andrea will also pick up in the Haddonfield area if you give her a call.

LUNCHEON - Mary Carll 429-3117, Caroline Moody 428-2730, Martha Goettelmann 429-4204 - Our traditional gourmet luncheon featuring such items as chicken salad, herb bread and fresh strawberry tarts will be served in three seatings starting at 11:30 a.m. Reservations may be made by calling any of our luncheon chairmen.

FAMILY PICNIC - Debbie and Frank Moore 858-5486 - Needs the loan of one more picnic table with benches. We will pick it up and return it to your home. The picnic will feature hot dogs, hamburgers, Coke and popcorn. Call Debbie if you have a table for her.

These are all the requests of your Fair Committee to date. Please answer their requests for help.

With your donations and your support on the day of the Fair this can be our biggest and most successful Fair yet. You'll be receiving calls for help in the next few weeks---please respond positively.

WE NEED YOU!!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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| Mr. & Mrs. Edward C. Adelman | Mrs. Francis J. Ludy |
| Mr. & Mrs. John Aglialoro | Miss Virginia C. Marshall |
| Mrs. J. B. Bricker | Mrs. John Miller, Jr. |
| Mr. Robert Freedley | Dr. Charles E. Nicholson, Jr. |
| Mr. & Mrs. Donald Federline | Dr. John H. Reisner III |
| Ms. Mildred L. Garthans | Mrs. Alvin R. Schomer |
| Mr. James D. Graham | Mrs. Daniel M. Scotti |
| Mrs. Hope Patterson Hall | Mrs. Mary M. Taylor |
| Mr. Claude Hunt, Jr. | Mrs. Andrew Weber |
| Mrs. George E. Love | Mrs. William E. Wright, Jr. |
| Mr. & Mrs. John Zimmermann III | |

Mrs. Mabel Kay
Membership Chairman

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The ongoing project of the Women's Committee: the restoration of the bricks and chimneys of Greenfield Hall is now in Phase II. The east wall (old part) facing the Hip Roof House is being repaired and the back of the house is being brushed, cleaned and will be repainted. The Garage Sale at the June Fair is the next project.

Mrs. John J. Slaven, Chairman

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

With the aim of reopening the Gertrude Hess Memorial Library by this Fall, the Library Committee will be working on reorganizing the Library throughout the summer. The first step in this process will be a complete inventory of all book and pamphlet material; this will assure that all the recorded items are accounted for and properly shelved. The Committee will also be looking at ways to insure the preservation of the many valuable, unique and irreplaceable materials in the Society's excellent library collection.

Douglas Rausenberger and Kathy Tassini
Co-Chairmen

VOLUNTEERS

Dorothy Sherred and Mickey Mack are most grateful to the men and women who will be hosts and hostesses during the visiting hours at Greenfield Hall, on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 4 p.m. They urge members to bring their friends to see and learn of the valuable possessions of the Society. The volunteers have had an Orientation Session given by Carolyn Moody to enable them to be well informed as to the historic furnishings and other items in the building.

DONORS BOOK

M. Elmond Neeley, Treasurer, Hip Roof House Restoration Fund, announced the Donors Book containing the names of those contributing as donors to the Fund or as In Memoriam contributors will be placed in the Victorian Room.

Contributions to this Fund should be addressed to the Treasurer, 107 Avondale Avenue, Haddonfield, N. J. 08033.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

"History Come Alive", children's enrichment project is currently involved in reading old nursery rhymes to the younger elementary grades in the classroom. Field trips to Greenfield Hall for grades three to five have been arranged for the "Antique Toys" program. An exhibit of toys on temporary loan to the Society has been set up in the attic. This year we have visited 150 classrooms with our programs.

Interest in doing individual and group research on selected topics of Haddonfield's history has been generated by "History come Alive". Fifth and seventh graders have chosen such topics as Elizabeth Haddon Estaugh and the Underground Railroad. We feel it is our duty as members of our organization to support these young peoples' worthwhile academic endeavors.

Community outreach is another goal of the Education Committee. Two members spoke to the Ye Old Newton Chapter of the DAR on the "Chronological Development of Children's Victorian Fashion". In June, the committee will present "Postal Cards of Main Street" to the Rotary Club of Haddonfield. These speaking engagements are fund raisers as a donation is requested. If your organization is interested in having our Education Committee present a program, please contact Dianne Snodgrass at 428-6823.

Members of the Education Committee have devoted many hours to making the children's and adult programs successful. Please thank the following people when you see them: Claire Aslaskin, Claire Driscoll, Carol Fucco, Joseph N. Hartel, Judy Hensel, Margie Kanupke, Nancy McGonigle, Mickey Mack, Liz Sapadin, Rosalie Scott, Robin Spence, Kathy Tassini, Pat Van Cleve and Jeannette Woehr.

Dianne Snodgrass, Chairman

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If you have a typewriter(preferably but not necessarily electric) that you are not using, we could really use it.

If you would like to donate one-----
CALL Deborah Moore -- 858-5486

REMEMBER

May 19, 1983 - General Meeting - Borough Hall

June 4, 1983 - Annual Village Country Fair